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After Action Minutes
BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 24, 2000

Morgan Hill Civic Center

City Council Chambers
17555 Peak Avenue
Morgan Hill, California

Commission
Chair

Vice-Chair
Committee Member
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Mark Frederick
Beth Ann Gardner
Robert Harrington
Gerald Kinkade
Bob Eltgroth
James Rothert
Ariadne Delon Scott
Stewart Witter

6:15 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Harrington

ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Senior Engineer Machida

DECLARATION OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Per Government Code 54954.2 (Senior Engineer Machida)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Morgan Hill Bicycle Advisory Committee welcomes comments from all individuals on any agenda item being considered by the Committee. Please complete a Speaker Card and present it to the Secretary/Senior Engineer. This will assist the Committee Members in hearing your comments at the appropriate time. In the interest of brevity and timeliness and to ensure the participation of all those desiring an opportunity to speak, comments presented to the Committee are limited to **Three Minutes**. We appreciate your cooperation.

NOW IS THE TIME FOR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA.

ORAL REPORTS

- A. **COUNTYWIDE BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE** CAC Rep:Robert Harrington
Vice-Chair Harrington reported that the Countywide BAC discussed a list of Universe of Projects submitted for the VTP 2020 plan. The list specifies the sponsor, title of the project and project cost. The list contained five projects from Morgan Hill. Member Harrington also indicated that his term on the Countywide BAC will expire in June 2000 and he recommends that another committee member should apply for this position.

BUSINESS

1. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2000**
Motioned by Member Rothert, seconded by Member Eltgroth Vote 5-0
2. **BICYCLE PROJECTS IDENTIFIED FOR GRANT FUNDING** Staff
Recommended Action: Develop a comprehensive list of bicycle projects to be constructed with available grant funds.
There are two Butterfield Bicycle projects on the bike list. One of these projects should be eliminated from the list. The Committee also requested information whether the Butterfield Bicycle route is for recreation or alternate transportation. The Committee agreed that it should be for both.

NEW BUSINESS

3. **UPDATE ON THE BIKEWAYS MASTER PLAN** Staff
Recommended Action: Provide input and comments on the status update of the Bikeways Master Plan. The City's consultant (Lee Steinmetz and John Ciccarella) will be present at the meeting.
The consultants discussed the master plan Field Review Summary forms. John Ciccarella prepared the forms that inventoried the streets in the City related to the right-of-way, adjoining land use, curb and gutter, sidewalk, existing bike lane, medians, turn lanes, bus route, speed limit, pavement quality and attractive area destinations. John did not include Monterey Road on the initial inventory since he wanted to concentrate separately on this important corridor. The results of Monterey Road will be submitted to the BAC for their second review. There was further discussion on the connection of the Coyote Creek Bicycle Trail to the housing development (Coyote Estates) on Malaguerra.

The BAC also reviewed the bicycle maps prepared by the consultants. The map shows bike routes (no designated bike lanes), bike routes will non-paved shoulders, existing and proposed bike lanes, existing and proposed bike paths. The consultants also suggested that Diana and Barrett Avenues could be used as cross-town routes if bicycle/pedestrian bridges are constructed over Highway 101. Additionally, the Church/Depot connection through the future Community Center Parking lot could be constructed to enhance the north-south route. The Hale/Tilton route may also be an important route if the proposed high school is located in area. Also, the consultants suggested that a bicycle crossing at the west end of Cochrane Road over the railroad tracks will improve the bicycle/pedestrian connections to the bus lines, businesses and shopping centers in the area. The school district also wanted to make a bicycle connection between Live Oak and the proposed high school on Burnett. The BAC considered several routes from Live Oak including Half Road, Peet Avenue and Mission View. The proposed extension of Murphy Avenue was also discussed as a

possible bike route.

The BAC members also wanted the consultants to consider the difficulty of the routes on the map. The consultants list Dunne Avenue as a route leading to Holiday Lakes. The BAC members who wish to ride to Holiday Lakes typically ride on Thomas Grade. It was then suggested that the maps should reflect recommended routes and difficult routes. The routes on the maps also need to be prioritized for construction and budgeting.

The next step is to modify the map and forms with the comments that they received at the meeting and returns to the BAC with the results. The maps will be addressed in color for their review. Once the BAC has seen the bike route map for the second time, the consultants will put the map on the City's web page and place copies at bike shops, book stores, schools, movie theaters, coffee shops, and the chamber of commerce where people who visit these establishments can write their suggestions on the map itself. It is anticipated that the maps will be left at these establishments for approximately two months.

4. SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL GRANT

Staff

Recommended Action: Discuss the proposed projects, identified by the Morgan Hill Unified School District, as candidate projects for the "Safe Routes to School" program..

Staff is working with the Morgan Hill Unified School District to formalize the projects that will be submitted as candidate projects. The School District still needed to provide clarification of each project and the school demographics of the affected schools. Staff needs this information to complete the applications, prepare the cost estimates and graphics and present the projects to the City Council, School Board, Planning Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Bicycle Advisory Committee, Police Department and CHP. The committee offered to assist staff in the preparation of the applications and further staff should e-mail each of the members to confirm the dates when these projects will be presented to the respective Boards. Member Scott also stated that the Congressman from Minnesota is sponsoring a National Safe Routes to School Program.

5. BICYCLE EDUCATION VIDEO TAPES

Member Eltgroth

Recommended Action: Purchase the bicycle education video tapes and direct staff to broadcast the tapes on a rotating basis on the City's cable channel.

The Committee discussed the video tapes prepared for Santa Cruz relating to bicycle safety. There are three tapes and it is suggested that the tapes be broadcast on the City's cable channel. Each tape is \$16.00 for a total of \$48.00. A request will be sent to the Parks and Recreation Commission to fund this purchase out of their budget.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Sher introduced SB 1629 that considers multiple traffic modes to include pedestrian and bicycles.

The CISCO - North Coyote Valley Draft EIR has been distributed for comments. The Committee requested that this items be included on the next agenda.

REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

This is the opportunity for any committee member to have an item placed on a future agenda.

Bicycle Resource Directory

General Plan Update

ADJOURNMENT Meeting will adjourn to the next regular meeting on March 20, 2000.